



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of

Hisao YASUHARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Application No.: 09/865,468

Examiner: G. Cantelmo

Filed: May 29, 2001

Docket No.: 109375

For: METHODS AND APPARATUSES FOR
PRETREATMENT OF METAL SAMPLES

MAIL STOP RCE

**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicant(s) hereby request(s)
{ continued examination.

☒ Applicants further request entry and consideration of the submission filed July 30, 2004.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper
under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 157561 in the amount of ☒ \$770.00 as payment of the fees
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